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Among the Stamp Clubs

MICHIGAN STAMP CLUB TAKES NEW MEETING ROOMS

Saturday night, January 4th, was the day set for the 366th meeting of the Michigan Stamp Club of Detroit, in their new home in the Hotel Ft. Wayne, corner of Cass and Temple Avenue. About 70 attended this meeting including some ladies and visitors. It was a real surprise to all as the House Committee showed the groups through. There is a large assembly room that will hold fully 200 people, a rest room for the ladies, a check room and additional room for exhibition and overflow meetings, all on the second floor of the hotel and known as the East Room.

President Hartwell opened the meeting with a few brief remarks and then invited Vice President Charles Keller to act as president for the evening. It was a surprise to him to be thus called on and in a few words he told the members that he would do the best he could. It was a tribute and an honor to Mr. Keller to give him charge of this meeting as he is past 75 years of age, has been an active stamp collector for over 50 years and does not miss many meetings. He is also a life member of A. P. S. and a member of Wayne Stamp Club.

Dr. E. Preston Hoskins announced the Club's activities for the next three months.

On February 15th, the Club will hold its Annual Stamp Exhibition at which all members are urged to exhibit. Chas. Brisley, Chairman of the Exhibition stated that a good showing is expected as there is more room available in the new quarters than in the old G. A. R. Hall where the exhibit was held last year.

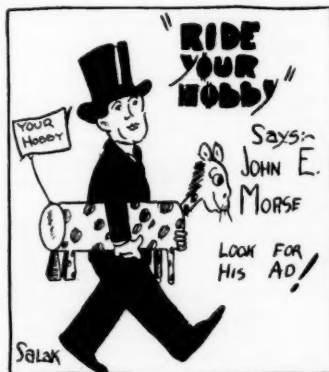
At the first March meeting the annual election of officers will be

held and at the same meeting the Hendershot 14th Auction sale will be held. The second March meeting on the 15th, will be the date of the Annual Banquet to be held at the Hotel Ft. Wayne. Seth Andrews asks all member to contribute stamps which will be used in the raffle which was one of the big events of the last annual meeting.

The Michigan Stamp Club extends an invitation to all local or visiting collectors to attend their meetings at any time and a hearty welcome is assured.

—Herman Boers.

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FALL RIVER CLUB ACTIVE

At the last meeting of the Everglades Stamp Club of Fall River, Mass., each of the members brought volumes from their collection and quite a display of stamps

was made for the benefit of members and visitors.

Lawrence Barnwell is president; Freddie Crowther, vice pres.; John Manley, Treasurer, and Arthur Dangler secretary. Collectors in Fall River should get in touch with any of the officers of the club and arrange to become members and attend the meetings.

NEW YORK PRECANCEL CLUB

This club meets every first and third Friday at 1261 Broadway, on the sixth floor. It includes in its active members some of the best known precancel collectors in the country; such men as H. S. Ackerman, S. F. Johnson, W. B. Hoover, N. R. Hoover, Allan R. Brown, H. T. Updegrove, Mr. and Mrs. Foerster, and dozens of others.

The activities of the New York Precancel Club include auction sales, exhibitions of famous collections, individual trading among members, an active exchange department for members, occasional debates, and so on. Every meeting is well attended. The New York Precancel Club is a factor of growing importance in the field of Precancel collecting.

—Kenneth M. Collins.

OKLAHOMA CITY STAMP CLUB

The first meeting of the Oklahoma City Philatelic Society for 1930, met at the residence of Floyd K. Russell, Jan. 6. Due to inclement weather, there were only eight collectors present, but the ardor of their interests were certainly not dampened and air mail, for-

eign, U. S. and precancels all received cordial attention.

A short business meeting was held and new officers for 1930, were elected. Robert W. Beaty succeeding Judge T. A. Edwards, the past president and A. H. Dolman, 2512 West 13th St., acting as secretary, pro tempore. Other officers will be elected at the next meeting which is scheduled for the evening of February 3rd, at the home of George Shirk.

There are approximately 50 adult collectors in the city and about twice the number of juniors and a cordial invitation is extended to all stamp collectors in Oklahoma City and vicinity to attend the next session, which will be enlivened by a benefit auction and other features which will be announced at a later date.

YORKVILLE STAMP SOCIETY

At the meeting of the Yorkville Stamp Society, on January 3rd, there were thirty-five members in attendance. Five new members being admitted on this date. The treasurer's report showed a good balance in the treasury. The Christmas party was voted a big success, both fraternally and financially. Reports of the Sales and auction managers were approved after which the meeting adjourned at 10:30 p. m.

This club meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock at 1525 Second Ave. (above Cafe Abazzia), New York City. Visitors are welcome and communications should be addressed the Secretary, John Arnosti, P. O. Box 445, Grand Central Station, New York, N. Y.

United States Types ? ? ? ?

Last week I advertised a few types. Lots of collectors can't tell the difference between them. For readers of Linn's who enclose return postage with their sendings I will identify all items, but don't send more than four at a time as I am very busy.

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PENN PRECANCEL CLUB

The regular monthly meeting of the Penn Precancel Club was held Jan. 9, in the rooms of the Philadelphia Stamp Club.

President Gearhart Frantz announced that at the next meeting, Hoover Bros. expected to conduct an auction. This will be a feature of the meeting and an invitation has been extended to the New York Precancel Club to meet with us on this date which will be Thursday, February 13, 1930. The meeting will start promptly at 7:00 so that plenty of time will be available for the auction sale.

The Secretary, August Schoell, introduced the game of Stamp Lotto which was very interesting and enjoyed by all present.

The delay in the new catalog created some discussion but the consensus of opinion was that it was worth waiting for because of the many changes and additions.

Thru the arrangement of Lauren Tremper, President Frantz will broadcast Friday afternoons at 5:30 over Station WNAT, on Collecting Precancel Stamps.

All precancel collectors are invited to attend our meetings and a cordial welcome will be extended to all who come.

We now have 25 paid up members and hope to increase this to 50 before the summer months.

The Secretary, August Schoell, 5324 Wakefield Street, Philadelphia, Penna., will be glad to correspond and give further information about our club to all that are interested.

BRIDGEPORT PHILATELIC CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

With a very fine showing in the matter of attendance and enthusiasm, the year, 1930, was started off by the Bridgeport, Conn., Philatelic Club on Thursday evening, January 9th.

It was the Annual election night, and both members and visitors turned out in pleasing array. The reports for the year as given by the officers proved very interesting and when Secy. Foster read the report showing that the membership and the Finances are both stronger than at any other time in the Club's 40 years of life, true happiness was experienced all around.

In spite of the very fine progress of the past year, it was unanimously voted that everything possible would be done during the year, 1930, to climb higher and higher for the good of Philately in general.

Many fine suggestions were offered by various members, much

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in the way of complimentary remarks was expressed, and all in all one of the most pleasant evenings imaginable was experienced by all in attendance.

An innovation is to be given fair trial in the belief that much of interest will result, and in order to start the ball a rolling President Wieler is to give a short talk, accompanied by an exhibit of one of his collections, with the understanding that each member of the club in turn, at future meetings, will do likewise with that branch of Philately that may be termed his "pet".

Following the business meeting the customary snappy auction—with genial "Dick" Foster doing the honors, held the interest for quite some time.

The following officers were chosen to serve with pep, and faithfulness for the coming twelve months.

President, Fred Wieler; Fin. Secy.-Treas., Richard S. Foster, 1604 Laurel Ave.; Vice President, E. N. Sampson; Corresponding Secy., Louis Atwater, P. O. Box 783; Trustees, James Loveland and Henry Dietrich; Auction Manager, R. S. Foster.

Louis Atwater,
Cor. Secy.

PHILATELY'S GREATEST BARGAIN

The Washington Philatelic Society has had a half dozen letters of inquiry during the past week concerning the society, three of which have stated that they were writing because of having read the "write-up" in Linn's Weekly, the

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others not saying why they wrote, and so there is a possibility that they may have been caused the same way. Thank you very much for publishing our notice sent in December.

Last night (January 8) 57 of our members had the rare treat of being entertained at our meeting by a talk by Congressman Ernest R. Ackerman. He displayed many of his rarities, in blocks, strips, used and unused, on and off cover, —from such countries as United States, Spain, Cape of Good Hope, Buenos Aires, Costa Rica, Brazil, and many others. Even showed two air covers, one a first flight India and the other one of the famous Garden City Estates covers. There were startling items one after another and I only wish I could remember to list them for you but I saw so much I was somewhat stunned.

With every good wish for "Philately's Greatest Bargain", Linn's Weekly Stamp News, and its editor, I am

Sincerely yours,
Maurice S. Petty.

FIRST SWISS PRO-JUVENTUTE

Lester Newbern of Monroe, Michigan, calls attention to the fact that the first issue of Swiss Pro-Juventute stamps was issued in 1912. According to the Scott Catalog, the first issue was in 1913. However, the 1912 issue was of a different type stamp, more in the nature of our Red Cross Christmas issues. The Swiss stamp was sold at 2c and had no postal value. The success of the issue was such that beginning with 1913 the stamp was made with a postal value and sold at an additional price over face value and since 1913 it has become a custom in Switzerland to issue these stamps annually.

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Those colorful bits of paper called stamps, which are so haphazardly glued to letters when mailed, picture for us a whole geography of the world. Mrs. and Mr. Martin Johnson in their search for Simba on safari could not find in so short a time so many living things as come before us on such postage stamps. That lovable cartoon couple, Walt and Skeezix, sometime ago went on a postage stamp journey in the comic strip and visited several countries but did not go near wild life nor experience the dangers of big game hunting. On this trip we are now about to start.

Africa beckons us first, and we make for Liberia (colonised by American negroes) and land at its capital Monrovia where we set forth on a great adventure. We discover that much of the country is still wild and that there are jungles over a goodly part of it, with trees that we may admire from Liberian postage stamps.

As we proceed on our journey expectant, passing through junglelands, we sometimes use canoes—perhaps like that on the 50 cent issue 1909, Liberia (Fig. 1)—and skirt along native villages such as shown on the 75 cents 1909 issue (Fig. 2). Straw-roofed huts rise up like small pyramids, and black men may be seen about. A negroid woman is busy at the bank of a river on a 15 cents issue of the 1909 series of Liberian postage (Fig. 3).

Thereafter it is not long before we catch sight of the first beasts. The first is an African elephant which lingers on the 1 cent issue 1906, and we hasten away for fear he may charge us. Another

elephant looms up suddenly on the 2 cents issue of 1904, and we quicken our steps. We pass another native village as on the 3 cents issue, 1914 (Fig. 4) and then locate another beast of the wildlands. It is a chimpanzee on the 5 cents issue 1906. We are not noticed and breathe more easily knowing that these creatures could very

well overpower us, had they the inclination.

We take to our canoe again and paddle down a stream. As we do so we catch a glimpse of the great lizard on a 15 cents issue 1906 (Fig. 5), called the agama lizard. He scurries into the water as we pass, and we hasten our paddling, as we do not fancy being upset.



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Fig. 13



Fig. 1



Fig. 12



Fig. 8

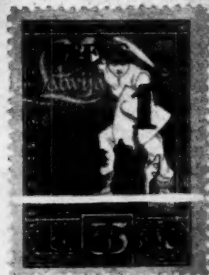


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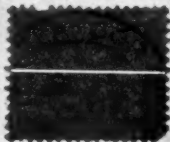


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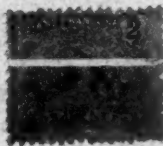


Fig. 16

g on Postage Stamps

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We have not paddled far when a thundering noise comes to our ears, and turning our heads we find a giant hippopotamus tramping to the water's edge on the 75 cents issue 1906 (Fig. 6). This canoe journey is short, but we observe things that we shall not soon forget. A strange bird comes to view, the plantain eater on the 10

cents issue 1906 (Fig. 7), and there is a great egret on the 20 cents issue of the same series (Fig. 8).

As we land, once more to travel on foot, other creatures spring into sight. Luckily we are unmolested. A lyre-horned antelope, with stripes like a zebra and horns like a deer, passes us on the one cent issue of 1918 (Fig. 9). A still

stranger being, the palm civet, furtively comes to view on the 2 cents value of the same series (Fig. 10). As we leave the river bank we see on looking back a sinister appearing crocodile on the 15 cents value of 1921 (Fig. 11).

Practically every moment is breathless. Our journey is filled with excitement, and then we see two natives, carrying a great ivory tusk on the issue of 1923, 75 cents value. We view all of Liberia we are able to upon a journey, noting that strange growth, the traveler's tree, which is named because its branches spread or travel so much. Once we have crossed the land within this republic—the only republic in Africa—our thirst for adventure is not yet quenched. We cross Africa then. We may go by auto or camel. French Sudan stamps are some of those picturing for us this beast of burden which is used for travel over deserts like the Sahara we are about to cross (Fig. 12).

Now and then we pause at wells for water and at other places to look momentarily upon native villages, the natives themselves, and any creatures that wander about. We are in French African territory, and suddenly we see a leopard scampering about on surcharged "Equatorial Africa" French-Congo adhesives (Fig. 13). Such beasts send shivers up and down our spines, for we know full well that they are treacherous. If we were in the Malay Peninsula, we might view a tiger that comes charging at us on a 5 cent colored stamp (Fig. 14)!

Elsewhere in the world we may find many other birds and beasts. The postage stamp album is filled with them. A Fiume (now Italian city) stamp shows us a wolf (Fig. 15). A French Guiana stamp (Fig. 16) shows us a very clear view of that peculiar creature the ant-eater, so named because he enjoys no meal better than that of the little but pestiferous ants.

Western Australia comes forward, on its stamps, with a swan, a beautiful water



Fig. 5



Fig. 20



Fig. 7



Fig. 21



Fig. 18



Fig. 22



Fig. 23



Fig. 19



Fig. 9



Fig. 4



Fig. 10



Fig. 11

creature with the long, curved neck (Fig. 17). Australia presents to us the hopping and powerful kangaroo (Fig. 18), which is one of the best kickers we know.

The field is not yet by any means exhausted, nor is our adventurous appetite satiated. There are scores of postage stamps that have not come before our view; we turn the pages expectant and curious. A Pommi fish is shown us on a 50 cents 1918 value from Liberia. A cod from Newfoundland swims by on a postage stamp, and we sense the odor of the salty ocean!

Postage stamps tell us of strange birds such as the kaka or hawk-billed parrot on an 1897 Tongo postage stamp. Turning again to Newfoundland we see a seal and find two varieties. The one shows a seal with feet and claws, which never existed, for the designer who made that stamp was not familiar with the creature. But the real seal, something like fourteen years afterward, was designed for a stamp to supplant the foregoing "error."

Newfoundland still attracts us. We find the curious birds, called ptarmigans, on the 12 cents 1897 issue (Fig. 19). Then also comes the caribou, pretty animal and sought for by hunters. We find a view of a hunter with a gun, after caribou, on the 4 cents issue Newfoundland of 1897. We likewise see fishermen with lines out for salmon. Views of the country come to us from Newfoundland. An iceberg off St. John's appears on the 35 cents 1897 issue; and a view of the landfall of Cabot and Cape Bonavista shows on the same series, 3 cents value. If we desire to know the contour of this island country, the 2 cents 1901 postage stamps give us Newfoundland's map. Newfoundland is one island with lakes and not a group

of three larger islands as is erroneously shown on the U. S. 10 cents airmail adhesive postage with the Lindbergh plane.

Proceeding to other countries finally, we come upon the llama, beast of burden whose coat is used for fur, seen on stamps of Peru. They are strange beasts to us, and we learn that the llama in Peru, the yak in Tibet, the reindeer in Alaska, Siberia, and Northern Canada, and the camel in the Sahara are employed as we have employed the horse.

From Nyassa the giraffe scampers by. Long of neck and stiff of legs, his walk is really funny to watch. The giraffe appears on the 1901 series. Nyassa has other beasts, like the zebra, the striped animal which looks like an ass.

From Borneo comes the bruang or sunbear on the 10 cents value of the series of 1902. From this same land, which partly is still unsettled, (series 1899) the orangutang scampers by. We are amused and terrified in succession. From North Borneo (1893 series) we observe the Maya stag on a 2 cents value.

Pretty and homely, laughable terrifying, strange and lovable are the creatures of the earth we meet. There is no greater array of them than is to be located on the picturesque stamps of the world.

From the 5 cents value of 1893 series of North Borneo we discover the beautiful bird with the colorful tail-spread, called the Argus pheasant. We linger near it for a moment with pleasure and pass on. Still the adventure has not ended.

The emu, which is a member of a dying race of creatures, comes to light on the 1888 series of New South Wales in Australia (Fig. 20) and we cannot forget the lions, real and fanciful, that rivet our attention.

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"Simba," the lion, is king of the beasts, and the postage stamp sometimes pays him deference and at other times honors him with strange apparel. For instance, a Norwegian 20 ore value (Fig. 21) shows a lion not only wearing a crown but likewise carrying a battle-axe! The kingly lion is a regal symbol, and a series of Finland Republican postage stamps shows us the Finnish interpretation of

a lion. He wears a monarchical crown, a strange device to be adopted for a republic. One of Finland's lions, on an earlier stamp (Fig. 22), wields a sabre! Sweden pictures us a lion (Fig. 23) as explorers, hunters, and adventurers know him.

If we believed in dragons we might take seriously those stamps which picture to us these mythical creatures of horror. One of these is found on Latvian postage (Fig. 24) with a brave knight, who is attempting to slay the monster. From Armenia we have reproduced, from sculpture at Ani, certain other strange mythical creatures, monsters which never existed excepting in the imagination.

The postage stamp album carries us on exciting and wonderful journeys. We are interested, and being interested we are educated. Finding these creatures, we desire to know something of them and about them.

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Those of us who are lucky enough to have assembled postage stamps, particularly with the designs that portray the many animals and birds and fishes, should use our album as a book of knowledge. Stamps can illustrate much more than the printed word; they ought to be attached to geographies, or even put in the encyclopedias. Josh Billings, old American humorist, once said, "Remember the postage stamp, my son; it sticks to one thing until it gets there." And it takes us on many a curious journey. We are reminded by these stamps that man has not completely pushed wild animals and birds off the earth and that they live in peace and contentment in many regions. The voyages of Columbus, of Cabot, of Captain James Cook—all of which are shown by postage stamps—were no more exciting to those intrepid seamen than a modern explorer; and we may breathe, snugly at home, the odor of adventure and romance and experience quickened heartbeats, just from the many attractive postage stamps that have appeared all about this old world of ours.

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In his letter he supplies some interesting information about the Precancel Club which we are glad to print. Therefore, if you want to see things in the paper, see that the copy is supplied. We must depend to a great extent on your assistance and we invite every reader to assist.

Montgomery Mulford, author of "Big Game Hunting by Postage Stamps" appearing in this number of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, is one of those whose hobby of stamps dates back to his earliest collecting days. His present activities bring his articles into publications from coast to coast, among which are the *Pacific Stamp News*, the *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, the *New York Sunday News*, the *Lone Scout*, *Linn's Weekly Stamp News*, *Weekly Philatelic Gossip*. He also acts as Association Editor, Western Stamp News Service.

Stamp subjects as they relate to natural history form an intriguing array, some of which are set forth in Mr. Mulford's article. Let's pretend with him and travel about the world, seeing the strange beasts, birds, and places of "Over the hill and far away!"

OUR WEEKLY CARTOONS ARE bringing us both praise and other remarks. Thomas Watson of New Drop, New York, regrets that we have only room for one each week while Edward H. Sprangers says that Salak's drawings are surely clever and that he hopes we have one every week. At the same time M. Ohlman writes us that he had a hard time convincing the wife and kids that the picture in the paper was not a good likeness of him, yet Max says it's a good advertisement anyway.

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The first January meeting of the Columbus Philatelic Club was held on January 3, 1930, at the usual place.

The club decided to have a small but selective library of reference books on stamps to be kept at the club rooms.

Mr. Howard Lamphreth and Mr. Sam Cobb were appointed by the President as an entertainment committee. The first effort was a short but very interesting talk on the stamps of Lichtenstein by Ray Shepherd.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, January 17, 1930.

FROM TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Mr. J. Karl Howard writes under date of January 4th, that an application has been made at Tallahassee postoffice for the use of precanceled stamps. Mr. Howard must mean Bureau Prints since Tallahassee has used precancels since 1917. Mr. Howard states that the use of these new stamps will begin soon and that probably Bureau Print envelopes will also be used.

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Those of you who belong to the various national societies were certainly lucky this week, because they were able to broadcast this weeks news to their collector members in time to be of service to them, whereas, the length of time necessary to get our news in print, which is as short as any of the philatelic journals, was too late to make some of the news of service in sending out your covers. So that if you belong to a national society and do not take their advance news service you are certainly missing some good news.

SALVADOR AND HONDURAS

The Postal Bulletin of Jan. 4th, received on the sixth, announced the extension of F. A. M. No. 8 beyond Guatemala City, Guatemala, to San Salvador, El Salvador and San Lorenzo, Honduras, effective with the flight of regular

plane from Brownsville, Texas, on Jan. 15, 1930, and that mail for those countries would receive the regular cachet. Postage and air service to these countries fifteen cents. From the Bulletin statement F. A. M. No. 5 will likely stop at San Lorenzo, on the 16th and pick up mail from Brownsville, and carry it on, which will likely result in a new issue and cachet on mail from Miami to San Lorenzo, on No. 5. Again the notice is too short to get this to our readers in time.

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*Honduras, No. 416-17, (2 var.) 1.00
*Mexico Aviation Show, 20c... .18
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A GREAT FIND

A fifteen year old boy at Long Island recently found a post card with a picture of an old plane on one side and address, sticker and message on the face. He sent it to Donald Dickason for identification and LO, and BEHOLD, it turns out to be the third known copy of the Calbraith Rodgers card of 1911. These cards have just been fully described in the Airpost Journal and the Historical Air Mail Catalogue. The writer had the opportunity and pleasure to examine this card and without a doubt it is a genuine Cal. Rodgers card. The same person who wrote the message on this card wrote it on the one which is illustrated in the Catalogue; it was postmarked at Imperial Junction, Cal., on Nov. 4, 1911, addressed to Los Angeles, and bears Los Angeles and Pasadena postmarks. It is one of the FINDS of recent months, and many of us would like to own such a cover. This is another of those Historical Covers, about which some of our friends argue pro and con, however, I'll bet there is not a COLLECTOR living who would not like to own this piece.

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F. A. M. No. 7 RE-OPENED

Re-opening of service on this route from Miami to Nassau, on Jan. 1, 1930, brought no cachet from Miami. Some covers from Nassau have none, but I have seen others with three line cachet reading "First Daily Flight Nassau to Miami, 1930." and of course to those points on routes 5, 6 and 9, not reached by plane last spring, they would be real first flight covers.

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BERLIN—WARSAW

The Department of Commerce has announced that airplane mail service will be opened this spring between Berlin and Warsaw, Poland.

GRAF ZEPPELIN

Reports from Berlin say that the next flight of the Graf will be to Rio de Janeiro, and then northward to Lakehurst, and that this flight will likely be made in May, 1930.

GENERAL

Olympia, Washington, Chamber of Commerce advises that their dedication will be this spring or summer, and that they will hold your covers.

East Stroudsburg, Pa., will dedicate about May 1st, 1930.

Work on Lewiston, Idaho, airport will likely be completed during the coming summer.

Date for dedication of Norfolk, Va., airport has not been determined but the postmaster says he will hold covers and thinks there will be a cachet.

Stanley Gregory advises that a cachet is probable at the Third All-American Aircraft Show at Detroit, Mich., April 5-13, and to send to the Chamber of Commerce.

Winter Haven, Florida, airport will be dedicated Jan. 21, 1930, but no mention of cachet. If the Florida Air Tour is passing through that day they may have one.

Harry Fleury shows me Ellensburg, Wash., Wright Anniversary of Dec. 17, with cachet in which the reading is arranged in the shape of a star. Very good.

Air Mail letters which are opened by clerks bear nothing to show how they were sent, when removed from the cover; and recently an eastern business concern conceived the idea of putting an "Air Mail" sticker on the letterheads sent in that manner, which would insure the recipient knowing that the sender attached enough importance to his communication to send it that way; and this practice will no doubt become very common, as this firm had very good success with the experiment.

Guy Richards, Jr., tells me that when he is preparing covers to send out, instead of sealing them, he fastens the flap down, with an ordinary stamp hinge, and when

the cover returns he can easily open and remove the filler without injuring his cover. Looks like a good idea.

NOTICE

E. T. Conner, H. E. McArthur, L. R. Murray, Rev. R. W. Locher, A. H. Garry and H. C. Koch, should at once write to Jas. W. Green, 203 N. 4th St., San Jose, Cal., as he has a cover belonging to each of them, sent to him by mistake; and he has no way of knowing the address of any of these gentlemen. Little late for Santa Claus, Jim, but I hope their Uruguay covers.

CONTRIBUTORS

Those who contributed this week are: Arthur K. Roberts, H. M. Lyon, Herman Loo, Henry Thomas, Harry Fleury, Allan Semeth, Guy Richards, Jr., M. S. Petty, Anna M. Schafer, A. C. Roessler, D.

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Bay City, Inauguration Bay City-Cleveland Air Mail Line, April 1 .25
Fenton, Williams School of Aviation Memorial, May 30 .20
Owosso, Airport Dedication Aug. 3-4, either date .20
Saginaw, Lindbergh Day, May 21st .35
Detroit, All American Aircraft Show, April 6-14, complete set \$1.25, single date .15

NEW JERSEY

Cape May, July 4, Dedication .20
Same with postmaster autograph .35
Red Bank, Air Meet, July 3 to 6th, some cancelled later .15

NORTH CAROLINA

Charlotte, June 4, 5, 6, 7, Veterans Reunion, set four dates .50
A few singles as above .15
Kitty Hawk, Dec. 17, 25th Anniversary Wright Bros. .25

NEW YORK

Buffalo, Air Derby, June 15 .20
Massapequa, Dedication Fitzmaurice Flying Field, May 12 .30
Oyster Bay, Roosevelt Memorial, May 30 .20
Dunkirk-Fredonia Landing Field CA 15, Aug. 17 .15
Binghamton, Bennett Air Meet, etc., June 30 .20
Schenectady, Second Annual Aerial Exhibition, June 27 .25
Fredonia, Greetings to Lady Heath, July 6 .20
Buffalo, Aviation Show, March 23-30 various dates, each .18

OHIO

Akron, Tire cachet, First Anniversary Air Mail. This is the cover that was picked up from roof of Postoffice by Dirigible and carried to Air Mail field, a historic cover .50
Akron, ZRS-4 Ring Laying, the forerunner of American Zeppelin Covers .100
Coshocton, Dedication Airport, July 23, rare .75
Cleveland, 25th Anniversary, Wright Bros., Dec. 17 .30

Parkman, Ohio, August 4, scarce .30
Dayton, Ohio, Airport Dedication, July 31, Aug. 1, each .35
Lorain, Opening Port Mills, July 27 .25
Toledo, Lindbergh Anniversary, May 21 .20
Toledo, 10th Anniversary, New York-Chicago Air Mail, Dec. 18 .20
Toledo, Dedication Transcontinental Airport, June 3 .25
Youngstown, First Official Air Mail Transfer by Adams Mail Pick-up, A government experiment, desirable .100
Alliance, Dedication Argo Airport, Aug. 5 .15

OREGON

Portland, Portland-Cleveland Air Derby, Aug. 23 .50
Medford, First Flight from Medford Airport, Oct. 2, scarce .25

PENNSYLVANIA

Punxsutawney, Dedication Grube Airport, Oct. 5 .25
Shamokin, Richardson Field, June 1 .20
Pittsburgh, Butler Airport, Aviation Industries, Sept. 28-29, each .15

TENNESSEE

Memphis, Airport Dedication, June 14-15, with autograph, each .20

TEXAS

Fort Worth, Commemorating World Endurance Record, Robbins and Kelly, six dates, each .25

UTAH

Cedar City, Airport opening, May 18 .30

VERMONT

White River Junction, Opening Twin State Airport, July 4 to 6, each .20

WASHINGTON

Vancouver, Louis Procter Jubilee, Aug. 18 .25
Pasco, Airport Dedication and 3rd Anniversary Air Mail .25

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and Ogden.
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C. A. M. No. 27
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troit, Toledo, Cleveland, Flint,
Lansing, Kalamazoo, Ann Ar-
bor, Jackson, Battle Creek,
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First day: Jan. 23, 1929.

C. A. M. No. 30
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ville, Nashville, St. Louis and
Chattanooga.
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C. A. M. No. 32
Pasco to Spokane and Seattle, 449
miles.
Stops at Portland and Tacoma.
First day: Sept. 15, 1929.

EDISON VARIETY

Mr. Sigmund Sameth informs us that he recently came across a copy of the common 2c Edison stamp, perfectly normal except for the following: The center of the C in cents, is white. At first he believed that the imperfection was caused by a piece of dust on the paper during printing, and wiped off after the stamp was printed. However, the shape of the space (Just following the inside contour of the "C") makes that supposition seem improbable. Has any reader seen that variety?

NEW CANAL ZONE AIR MAIL STAMP

Air Mail Covers from Canal Zone on the first flight under the new 20 cent rate that recently went into effect bring with them a new 20c Canal Zone Air Mail stamp. This stamp is the 2c Goethals stamp with surcharge "AIR MAIL" at top and "20c" at bottom. The surcharge is in blue. We attempt to show the style of this surcharge herewith.

AIR MAIL

≡20c

Covers on this first flight from Cristobal under the 20c rate are interesting in that the front of the cover is cancelled at Cristobal on Dec. 31, 8 p. m., 1929, and altho addressed to Columbus, Ohio, the cover is backstamped at Cristobal, Jan. 2, 1930. Quite an interesting combination.

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—Sigmund Sameth

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NIBELUNGENLIED

In 1926, Austria picturized one of the old German legends. That is; the story of Siegfried and Kriemhilde. The legend dates back to the time when Germanic tribes were still wild, living in little tribes.

Siegfried, in his youth, was a person of great physical strength. While roaming about, he came upon a dragon, so the legend goes, and, after a hard struggle, he killed it. (3gr.) He then washed himself with the blood of the dragon and became invulnerable except for a spot in the middle of his back which had been covered by a leaf. In the course of his wanderings, Siegfried came to the court of Gunther who desired to win the warlike maiden of the north, Brunhild. To win her it was necessary to vanquish her in battle. Siegfried agreed to help him if he, in turn, would grant Siegfried, his sister's hand in marriage. Their departure for Iceland was one of pomp and glory. (8gr) The adventure was successful and Siegfried and Kriemhilde were married; bringing to a close the first phase of the legend.

The second phase deals with Kriemhilde's revenge. Kriemhilde and Brunhild soon became envious of each other's position and a quarrel ensues (15gr) in which Kriemhilde, angered, tells Brunhild that it was Siegfried who vanquished her and the plot thickens. Hagen, the villain of the story, at the instigation of Brunhild, ekes Siegfried's secret out of Kriemhilde. While on a hunting trip Hagen kills Siegfried. Rudiger, the Hungarian, then woos and wins the fair Kriemhilde and they live in happiness for thirteen years.

The Nibelungen then visit Kriemhilde who has invited them for the purpose of taking her revenge. Hagen, having been forewarned, (20gr) realizes the danger, but is compelled to accompany the King. Upon their arrival they are warmly greeted by Rudiger (24gr). When they are all in the castle, the slaughter begins. Hagen is at last mortally wounded by Diedrich (40gr). Kriemhilde, seeing this, takes Siegfried's sword and cuts his head off. Outraged by this act,

Hildegard, Diedrich's henchman, kills her and thus ends the Nibelungen.

If the general purpose of the Austrian Government was to depict something truly native; then they have succeeded. In an earlier issue many cities were portrayed; but these cities are only familiar to their inhabitants and are almost meaningless to the rural population. By displaying the Germanic legend they have produced something of common interest.

EVOLUTION OF ARCHITECTURE

A collection of postage stamps is, in a measure, a record of the change in the styles of architecture. The primitive huts of New Guinea and Liberia, as well as the teepees of Tannou Touva, might easily have belonged to a neolithic savage. Then came mammoth, lasting monuments, the pyramids, requiring the labor of 100,000 men for a period of twenty years.

This period was succeeded by an outstanding era, the age of Greece. The products of this period, both educational and physical have been looked up to ever since. Greece, glorious in its past, has depicted the ruins of the Acropolis and the Parthenon. Unfortunately the latter was partly destroyed by the Turks in the eighteenth century. As the center of power changes from Athens to Rome, so changed the style of architecture from Grecian to Roman. With Roman dominion went Roman style. This fact is borne out by the many ruins which are depicted on the stamps of the countries bordering the Mediterranean sea. As Roman power declined and the control passed into the hands of the less civilized northerners, the necessity of a means of defense was pre-eminent.

In answer to this came the castle, grey, bleak, mighty. Many of these are portrayed on the stamps of central Europe. The same fervent spirit, which sent men away from their homes to the Holy Land inspired them in the construction of their cathedrals, the outstanding works of the

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the Orient. Their tall stately minarets are depicted on the stamps of Tripolitania as well as on the unofficial issues of Morocco. As Turkey over ran southeastern Europe, she developed her style of building, and spread it with her civilization. Byzantine structures are shown on the stamps of Russia, Azerbaidjan and Turkey.

Now almost every country portrays the outstanding buildings from the Capitol of the United States to the palace of San Marino.

Not only are the outstanding edifices portrayed, but also many native homes. These, because of their intractiveness, are generally depicted in groups, for example, the fifty milliemes of the 1914 issue of Egypt. In this stamp a portion of an Oriental city with its turrets and domes is shown. Another example of this is the 1923 issue of Austria in which both the outstanding as well as the commonplace buildings are portrayed.

Many grotesque, unnatural structures are brought to our view. On the Chinese stamps, one sees the strange pagodas while Japan depicts her odd palaces.

NEW YORK STAMP NEWS

Francis F. Greeley of precancel fame has a fine collection of autographs of newspaper artists and other prominent people.

George Ring is the proud possessor of an almost complete air mail stamp collection. All varieties with the exception of one or two stamps are in it. His collection is in great demand for exhibitions and George is quite an obliging fellow.

F. R. Terryman, treasurer of the Yorkville Stamp Society, has a fine collection of Commemoratives, all picked for artistic beauty.

Major Guy W. A. Camp, President of Branch 1, S. P. A. has one of the finest collections of Austria. His stamps are mounted in an original and most interesting way. To be appreciated, his collection must be seen.

John Arnosti besides being secretary and sales manager of the Yorkville Stamp Society, and a stamp dealer as well, also pushes a pen for the big publishing house Rand McNally & Co. Some ambition!

Samuel Boyaner, the lusty auctioneer of the Y. S. S. is now the New York City representative of Louis Weismann, the wholesaler.

Armin Zahn has just accepted the position (or job) of secretary for Branch No. 1 S. P. A. Mr. Zahn is a member of almost every

club in New York City and is an officer in most of them. Another ambitious YOUNG man.

Yorkville Stamp Society has now 25 of its members subscribing to Linn's Weekly Stamp News.

A. W. Deas, member of the Board of Directors of S. P. A., is writing some interesting articles for Stamp Collectors Monthly, every month.

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SENATOR FRANK PLATT

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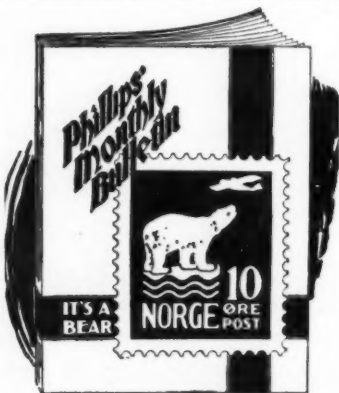
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BOGACHES FROM YEMEN

We learn from the Postal Bulletin that the postage on a letter from Yemen is 6 bogaches in the first weight unit and 4 bogaches additional unit. Prints, etc., are mailable at 50 grams for 1 bogsha.

To a stamp collector who is a student of Scott's Catalog this all sounds queer for we find neither "Yemen", "bogsha" or "bogaches" in the catalog. The Postal Bulletin further states that "according to information furnished by the Postal Administration of Yemen to the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union, 1 bogsha is the equivalent of 6 centimes gold.

That is as far as we can get in the Postal Bulletin but referring to the New International Encyclopedia we learn much of interest about Yemen.

"Yemen is a region in the southwest corner of Arabia, extending along the coast of the Red Sea from Hejaz to the Strait of Babel-Mendeb. It forms part of the Turkish Empire, area about 73,800 square miles. Yemen is the southern and most favored part of the ancient Arabia Felix or Happy Arabia. Population is about 750,000. The country passed under the dominion of the Turks in the sixteenth century. In 1630 the Arabs drove out the Turks, and later the Imam of Sana became a powerful potentate ruling over an extensive domain. In 1872 the land came under the rule of the Turks again, and in recent years a constant unrest among the Yemenis is apparent which arises from the falling off of their export trade in coffee and frankincense under Turkish rule."

Therefore, does the Postal Bulletin notice forecast postage stamps from Yemen with values in bogaches and bogsha?

EXHIBIT 1851 COVERS

At the January 24th meeting of the Buffalo Stamp Club, Mr. Leroy Brown will give a talk on and an exhibit of 3c 1851 covers. This club holds meetings each Friday evening in the Buffalo Museum of Science in Humboldt Park.

At the January 31st, meeting there will be an auction and the Library Committee will hold a discussion on Current Events.

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